

PATENT APPLICATION

Navy Case No. 77,897

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Imam et al. Examiner: Copenheaver, B.
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POLYMERIC COMPOSITES

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AMENDMENT "C"

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Dear Sir;

The present amendment is made in response to the Examiner's Action, Notification of Non-Compliance with 37 CFR 1.192(c), dated October 18, 2000. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

1. (Three Times Amended) An acoustically damping composite article, comprising a [non-elastomeric polymeric matrix having therein a] metal [foam,] body [said metal foam] having [an open cell structure,] open-celled pores in both an upper and a lower portion of said metal body, [said metal foam being impregnated with said polymeric matrix so as to] wherein each of said open-celled pores is completely [penetrate said open cell structure of said foam and fill the cells thereof] filled with a solid bulk, non-